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**To:** 'microsoft.atr(a)usdoj.gov'  
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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Sir or Madam,

I am writing this email in order to register my dissatisfaction with the proposed settlement in the U.S. vs Microsoft case. I work with Microsoft products on a daily basis, and am generally happy with their products, but the court has found that they have abused their monopoly position, and must be punished for their actions in order for competition to flourish. The settlement in its proposed state will not hamper Microsoft's business actions, and will not foster competition in the computer industry. Microsoft has hampered innovation since becoming a Monopoly, and our economy would be doing much better if there was competition, and Microsoft's illegal business practices were stopped. A review period and a promise to be a "good monopolistic company" did not work with the previous settlement with the U.S.D.O.J. and will not work in this situation. Without harsh penalties for repeated offenses, Microsoft will continue to hamper innovation in the computer industry.

Thank you for your time,  
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